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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.  - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.  - If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.  - If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.  - Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133).  Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).								
Status								
1)	Responsive to communication(s) filed on 23 F	ebruary 2004.						
2a)⊠	This action is <b>FINAL</b> . 2b) This	s action is non-final.						
3) 🗌	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is							
	closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.							
Disposition of Claims								
4)	I) ☐ Claim(s) <u>1-10 and 12-15</u> is/are pending in the application.							
	4a) Of the above claim(s) <u>4-6</u> is/are withdrawn from consideration.							
5) 🗌	5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.							
	Claim(s) <u>1-3,7-10 and 12-15</u> is/are rejected.							
7) 🗌	Claim(s) is/are objected to.							
8)[	8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.							
Application Papers								
9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.								
10)	10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.							
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).								
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).								
11)[	The oath or declaration is objected to by the Ex	caminer. Note the attached Office	Action or form PTO-152.					
Priority u	ınder 35 U.S.C. § 119							
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:								
	1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.							
2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No								
	3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage							
application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).								
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.								
Attachmont	(c)							
Attachment 1)	(S) e of References Cited (PTO-892)	4) Interview Summary (	PTO_413\					
2) 🔲 Notice	e of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	Paper No(s)/Mail Dat	e					
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Applicant's arguments filed 2/23/04 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. See arguments below.

I. Rejection of claims 1-3,7-10,12-15 under 35 USC 103(a) over Watson in view of Bosserelle and JP '520 will be maintained for reason on record and reason as follow. Applicant argues that instant references do not make instant invention obvious since one would have to pick and choose elements from each reference to arrive at instant invention. Examiner disagrees with Applicant, Examiner argues that all references individually teach the composition as a shampoo. Since all prior art references teach the same utility (shampoo), it would have been obvious to combine them.

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

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## Telephonic Inquiry

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alton N. Pryor whose telephone number is 571-272-0621. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thurman Page can be reached on 571-272-0602. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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**Αμον** Pryor Primary Examiner

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